

Anti-Slavery Office,  
New York, 17 March, 1862.

Dear Garrison,

28 I have just learned  
that Phillips's Washington  
lecture was reported by  
order of The Tribune, and  
will appear in that paper  
to-morrow. The editors do  
not know if the reporter  
acquainted Mr. P. with his  
design; but it is probable  
that he did not; and I  
am apprehensive that Mr.  
P. will be annoyed to see  
in print a speech which he



means to deliver in other places. And besides, I suspect he would like a chance to revise before it goes to press. This, however, is only my own inference. The speech, I suppose, is substantially the one delivered before the Emancipation League. Have you any understanding with him as to printing it? Please tell me, by return mail, whether I had better copy the Tribune's report, or wait for him to revise. I shall be in a quandary till I hear.

What a triumph for our cause was W. P.'s reception



in Washington. It makes me  
lament the more that you  
should even think of declining  
such an opportunity.

I saw Gerrit Smith yesterday  
(he is ill here), and he ex-  
pressed his very deep regret  
that you did not at once  
accept. The lectures of the  
course ~~will~~ are all, he says,  
to be printed in a volume,  
and one from you would  
make just the fitting close.

Yours, as ever,

Oliver Johnson.



